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A) ECONOMIC INFORMATION

1) - Industries

"Riccardo Bencic" Workshop

FIUME

In the building of the former tobacco factory the former Schul and Gussar shops, both near the over bridge on the road to the aqueduct, merged in December 1949 and all the machinery was ~~shipped to the above building~~ *Transferred there*

"Rankovic Torpedo Factory"

FIUME

Manager: Army Major PERISSA

Workers: In February 1950 this factory employed about 3000 workers

All the workers must belong to the trade unions ~~xxxxxxbenefit from the xx~~ if they receive clothes and food ration coupons, but membership in the Yugoslav Communist Party is not obligatory.

Morale

The very low pay and the general treatment of the personnel breed continuous discontent and opposition to the Tito regime.

Production

In the latter part of 1949 work was begun on 450-HP Diesel engines. About a year ago ^{just} one of these ^{engines} left the factory completely finished.

Work on 11 others has ^{encountered} many difficulties due to ~~lack of raw materials~~ ^{the complete lack of certain materials} and the fact that the crane which was assembled in the foundry no. 301 was not considered safe for lifting heavy loads.

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However, ~~xxxxxx~~ the material for the ^{casting} melting and preparation of the main body of the motors was sent to SPALATO

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2 specialists were also stationed there for a month, including one Oscar PERIC

~~xxxxxx~~ Both of these specialists had to return by the end of February,

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U. S. OFFICIALS ONLYCast Iron foundry (No 301)

Building 70 x 15 meters, 20 meters high.

Workers: about 80Machines

- 2 coal ~~kilns~~ *furnaces*
- 2 ~~xxx~~ compressed air stamping machines
- 2 electric furnaces
- 2 reserve electric furnaces

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Feb 51- Bronze foundry (no 302)2-story

(Building 80 x 20 meters, 10-12 meters high

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Workers: In February 1951 there were only 80 workers including only 3 skilled forgers,

Machinery

- 2 electric furnaces for cast iron and bronze: *they are* never been operated at the same time as the electric current is not *strong* enough
- 2 coke ~~xxx~~ furnaces
- 2 fuel oil furnaces for *casting* melting aluminum (in bars)
- 20 stamping machines
- 3 sandblast machines one of which arrived new about 3 years ago

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Activities of the foundry

In *casting* ~~since~~ 1950 the melting and preparation of *parts* pieces for 6 - 9 HP Diesel engines

was begun (valves and other small *parts* pieces).

Torpedo tubes *made by casting 4 1-m parts* ~~consist of 4 pieces of 1 meter each~~ *from the proper ladle* and ~~the buckets~~ are being melted.

The foundry can, in one day, prepare about 15 pieces: only 3-4 of these can be shipped, however, as they *do not fit the requirements*.

Production in 1950

About 30 torpedo tubes ~~completed with their~~

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